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Construction of a bridge across Sankaraparani river in Ginjee.

* 683 *Q.*—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the bridge across Sankaraparani river in Ginjee will be completed; and when the work was started; and

(*b*) the reasons for the failure to complete the three unfinished spans?"

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) The work was started on 22nd October 1950. It is expected to be completed by June 1954.

" (*b*) Slackness on the part of the contractor."

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS.

Opening of fire by the Police at various places in the State.

79 *Q.*—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state with reference to the answer to unstarred question No. 16, dated the 6th January 1954, when, where, under what circumstances, and the number of rounds of fire that was opened on each occasion?

A.—A statement [a] is annexed.

Payment of cycle allowance to the Highways maistris.

80 *Q.*—Sri S. RAMALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Highways maistris are required to own a cycle for themselves;

(*b*) if so, whether they are paid any cycle allowance; and

(*c*) if so, since how long this allowance has been paid?

A.—(*a*) It is desirable for the Highways maistris to own their own cycles for the proper discharge of their duties. But only in certain divisions the maistris have been asked to maintain cycles. So far no general orders have been issued compelling them to own cycles.

(*b*) In divisions where the maistris have been asked to maintain cycles, their pay has been fixed providing an adequate element for the maintenance of the cycle.

(*c*) Does not arise as no separate cycle allowance as such is paid.

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[a] **Printed as Appendix III on page 584-585 infra.**

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Schemes sanctioned under the Local Development Works Programme for South Arcot.

81 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state what are the schemes approved by the Planning Commission as recommended by the Madras State for the South Arcot district under the 'Local Development Works' and the estimated cost?

A.—The schemes approved for South Arcot district are given in the statement [a] placed on the table of the House.

Supply of pumpsets and oil engines on hire in Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot district.

82 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the total number of motor pumpsets and oil engines supplied in Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot district, on hire in the year 1952 and the total number of applications considered and the amount of hire charges collected?

A.—

Total number of motor pumpsets and oil engines supplied in Cuddalore taluk on hire in 1952	60
Total number of applications received from Cuddalore taluk during 1952	99
Total number of applications complied with.	60
The amount of hire charges collected.	Rs. 34,305-8-0

Women and Children's Hospital, Tiruturaipundi, Tanjore district.

83 Q.—SRI C. KANDASWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) how many maternity cases have been recorded in the Women and Children's Hospital, Tiruturaipundi, in Tanjore district in the years 1952, 1953 and 1954 so far respectively;

(b) how many beds have been provided during these years respectively; and

(c) the details of the staff employed in this hospital in these years respectively?

A.—

	1952.	1953.	1954.
(a)	427	565	86 up to February 1954.
(b)	14	14	14
(c) Assistant Surgeon (Women).	1	1	1
Staff Nurse ..	..	1	1

[a] Printed as Appendix IV on pages 585-587 infra.

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	1952.	1953.	1954.
Maternity Assistant.	1	1	1
Nursing Orderly (Woman).	1	1	1
Compounder ...	1	1	1
Peon-*cum*-watchman.	1	1	1
Cook-*cum*-water woman.	1	1	1

Red-tapism in the administration.

84 *Q.*—SRI T. ANANTHA PAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the steps proposed to be taken to reduce red-tapism in the administration?

A.—The question is vague, but it may be stated that several instructions have been issued with a view to prevent delays, inefficiency, etc.

Issue of liquor permits in Malabar.

85 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the any alcoholic liquor permit-holders in Malabar and if so, the number of such permit-holders with periods of the respective permits?

A.—The number of liquor permits which were in force in the
Minister for **Prohibition be pleased to state** whether there are
Malabar district on 1st March 1954 is 161 (17 Indians and 144 Non-Indians). Each permit is valid for one year from the date of issue.

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Repairs to tanks in Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot.

86 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of tanks under Public Works Department in Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot district;

(*b*) the total cost of repairs done to them by the department in the year 1952; and

(*c*) the number of tanks still under repair and the period required to complete them?

A.—(*a*) Forty-seven.

(*b*) Rs. 21,825.

(*c*) Eleven. The repairs will be completed before September 1954.

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Assignment of lands to political sufferers in Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot.

87 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state the extent of lands assigned to the political sufferers in Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot district, up to 1952?

A.—

		ACS.
Wet	.. —	130·55
Dry	... .	67·35
	Total ..	197·90

Sanitary improvement of slums.

88 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount sanctioned to the Director of Harijan Welfare towards sanitary improvement of slums;

(*b*) whether he has been authorised to assign house-sites to the Harijans through the Collectors;

(*c*) if so, the extent of lands assigned as house-sites; and

(*d*) how many slums have been assigned to the respective occupiers by the Director of Harijan Welfare from the starting of the department, i.e., 1948-to 1953?

A.—(*a*)

Year.	Amount.		
	RS.	A.	P.
1948–49	42,356	0	0
1949–50	54,045	0	0
1950–51	75,833	0	0
1951–52	34,503	0	0
1952–53	42,043	0	0

(*b*) No.

(*c*) & (*d*) Do not arise.

The problem of unemployment among the educated.

89 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state with reference to the answer to the unstarred question No. 83, dated the 2nd December 1952, how many of the unemployed in the State registered at the Employment Exchange are Graduates in Arts, Graduates in Medicine, Graduates in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering and persons holding diplomas of technical institutes run by the Government?

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A.—Particulars as on 11th March 1954 are given below :—

Graduates in Arts	1,137
Graduates in Medicine	12
Graduates in Civil Engineering	59
Graduates in Electrical Engineering ...	23
Graduates in Mechanical Engineering ...	36
Persons holding diploma of technical institutions run by Government	174

Particulars prior to April 1953 are not available.

Grant of takkavi loans in Tanjore district.

90 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount allotted for the grant of takkavi loans in Tanjore district for 1953–54;

(*b*) the number of applications for loans received during the year 1953–54; and

(*c*) the number sanctioned?

		RS.
A.—(*a*)	(i) Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts	13,55,775
	(ii) Special rules for agricultural implements	200
	(iii) Special rules for pumping installations	1,500
	(iv) Loans for rebuilding houses to non-agriculturists	4,550
		NO.
(*b*)	(i) Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts	12,874
	(ii) Special rules for agricultural implements	5
	(iii) Special rules for pumping installations	1
	(iv) Loans for rebuilding houses to non-agriculturists	13
(*c*)	(i) Land Improvement Loans and Agriculturists' Loans Act	6,433
	(ii) Special rules for agricultural implements	5
	(iii) Special rules for pumping installations	1
	(iv) Loans for rebuilding houses to non-agriculturists	13

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Schemes sanctioned under the Local Development Works Programme in Quilandy, North Malabar.

91 *Q.*—SRI C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the schemes that have been sanctioned under Local Development Works under the Five-Year Plan in Quilandy firka, Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar?

A.—The following schemes have been sanctioned under the Local Development Works Programme for 1953–54 in Quilandy firka, Kurumbranad taluk, North Malabar, at an estimated cost of Rs. 20,000:—

(1) Construction of a dam at Chakkarakadavu to protect cultivation.

(2) Repairs to Quilandy-Kalpathur Road.

(3) Development of footpath from Vengapparapoyil to Nelliyadikadavu.

(4) Repairing and widening of the road from Melati to Vanmugam (via) Pallikara.

(5) Providing additional accommodation to the Labour Ward of Local Fund Hospital, Quilandy.

Construction of Thermal stations in the State.

92 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount spent on the repairs and construction of Thermal stations in the State during the year 1952, to meet the shortage of electricity; and

(*b*) the schemes proposed and the number of Thermal stations to be constructed in the State during the year 1954–55 and the names of the places where they are to be located?

A.—(*a*) An amount of Rs. 1,16,25,200 was spent during 1952–53 on repairs and construction works relating to the Madras and Madurai Thermal stations. It is not possible to say how much of this expenditure can be allocated as having been spent exclusively to meet the power shortage.

(*b*) The second stage of the Madras Plant Extension Scheme for the installation of a 15,000 K.W. turbo-set at the Basin Bridge Power House, Madras, is in an advanced stage of construction and is expected to be commissioned in 1954–55. The work relating to the third stage of the above scheme, which provides for the addition of a further generating capacity of 30,000 K.W. to the Basin Bridge Power House, is likely to be taken up during 1954–55. As all stations, hydro and thermal, are part of one interconnected grid, a thermal station at any place will supply power to the

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grid and considerations of economy in the matter of fuel and water call for increasing capacities at Madras rather than for new stations elsewhere.

Issue of licences to motor vehicles in the City of Madras.

93 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of licences granted to cars, taxis, buses, lorries and motor cycles in the year 1952 by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Madras City; and

(*b*) the number of constables, Inspectors, and other officers allotted to the Taxation and Licence branches of the Madras City Police Department and their establishment charges in the year 1952?

A.—(*a*)

Class of vehicle.	Number of licences issued during the year 1952.
Cars	30,933
Taxis	1,175
Buses	1,985
Lorries	5,440
Motor cycles	4,866

(*b*) *Executive staff*—

Inspector	1
Sub-Inspectors	2
Head constables	10

Ministerial staff—

Superintendent	1
Cashier	1
Upper division clerks	2
Lower division clerks	2
Shroff	1
Peon	1
Typist	1

(One temporary clerk is also employed for four months in a year.)

The establishment charges incurred in the year 1952 were Rs. 38,998.

Grant of loans to weavers in Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot.

94 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of loan with interest or free of interest given to the weavers in the year 1952 at Cuddalore taluk, South Arcot district; and

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(*b*) the number of applications received from the weavers and the number sanctioned?

A.—(*a*) A sum of Rs. 1,075 was disbursed as interest-free loan in 1952 to members of two weavers' co-operative societies in Cuddalore, South Arcot district.

(*b*) Two applications were received, one from the Panruti Weavers' Co-operative Society and the other from the Bandrakottai Weavers' Co-operative Society and both were sanctioned. In the Panruti Weavers' Co-operative Society, a sum of Rs. 625 was disbursed among 25 weavers and in the Bandrakottai Weavers' Co-operative Society, Rs. 450 was disbursed among 18 weavers; each weaver got an interest-free loan of Rs. 25.

Execution of road works to relieve unemployment among agricultural labourers and weavers.

95 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount sanctioned by the Government in the year 1952 for the execution of road works to relieve unemployment among agricultural labourers and weavers' community affected by adverse seasonal conditions in the South Arcot district; and

(*b*) what were the works executed and the amount spent thereon?

A.—(*a*) No amount was sanctioned under "Famine Relief" in 1952 for the execution of road works to relieve unemployment among agricultural labourers and the weaver community in the South Arcot district.

(*b*) In view of the improvement in the seasonal conditions in the district after the rains in December 1952 the road works proposed were considered not necessary by the Government. Hence no amount was spent on such road works.

Crop competition in 1952–53.

96 *Q.*—SRI S. RADHAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) Whether the District Agricultural Department conduct any crop competition every year in all the districts; and

(*b*) if so, the number of ryots who participated in each district and the maximum yield per acre recorded in each district in the year 1952–53?

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A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The number of ryots who participated in each district and the maximum yield per acre recorded in each district in the year 1952–53 are as follows :—

Name of the district.	Number of ryots who participated in the crop yield competition in the year 1952–53.	The maximum yield of paddy per acre recorded in 1952–53. LB. (wet)
1 North Arcot	896	6,880
2 Salem	662	7,990
3 Chingleput	75	7,452½
4 South Arcot	762	6,350
5 Tanjore	976	7,150
6 Tiruchirappalli	654	7,220
7 Madurai	456	7,980
8 Ramanathapuram	1,449	11,255
9 Tirunelveli	857	7,263
10 Coimbatore	398	7,480
11 The Nilgiris	27	6,650
12 South Kanara..	702	7,920
13 Malabar	1,194	7,900
Total ..	9,108	

Proposals of the High Power Committee for the utilization of the amount allotted from the Mill Cloth Cess Fund.

97 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the recommendations of the High Power Committee appointed by the Government regarding the reorganization of the handloom industry in the State; and

(*b*) whether the Central Government have accepted them?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The High Power Handloom Committee constituted by the Government did not make any specific recommendation for the reorganization of the handloom industry in the State. Certain modifications were suggested by the Committee to the Schemes proposed for the utilization of the amount allotted to this State from the Mill Cloth Cess Fund. The schemes were accordingly modified and forwarded to the Government of India. The Government of India have since approved the schemes with slight alterations. Particulars of the Schemes are given in the answer to starred question No. 71 by Sri N. K. Palaniswami, M.L.A., which was answered on 23rd March 1954.

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Dismissal of certain bus workers in Madurai.

98 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many representations against dismissals were received by the Government during 1951–53 from the bus workers of Madurai through the Madurai Motor Workers' Union; and

(*b*) how many out of these were referred for adjudication and how many were not?

A.—(*a*) Thirty-six representations involving cases of 55 dismissed bus workers were received by the Labour Officer, Madurai, during 1951–53 through the Madurai Motor Workers' Union. Out of these, twenty cases were reported to the Government through the Commissioner of Labour.

(*b*) Six cases were referred for adjudication and fourteen cases were not referred for adjudication.

Mr. SPEAKER :—" Questions over."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* : LARGE SCALE EVICTION OF CULTIVATING TENANTS IN LALGUDI TALUK, TIRUCHIRAPPALLI DISTRICT.

Mr. SPEAKER :—" Hon. Member, Sri M. Kalyanasundaram, has given notice of an Adjournment Motion which reads as follows :—

' I give notice of the following adjournment motion :—

" That the House be adjourned to discuss an urgent matter of public importance, namely, the failure of the Government to prevent the large scale eviction of Cultivating Tenants in Lalgudi taluk, Tiruchirappalli district, which is giving rise to serious unrest among the peasants." '

I wish to know what the hon. Member wants to say on this matter."

* Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, இது முக்கியமான அவசர பிரச்னையாகும். நண்பர் ஸ்ரீ ராஜா சிதம்பரம் கூட இன்றுவரை சட்டசபைக்கு வராமல் இருப்பதற்கே இது ஒரு முக்கியமான காரணம். ஏனென்றால் லால்குடி தாலுக்காவானது அவருடைய தொகுதியாகும்."

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Was the hon. Member, Sri P. B. K. Raja Chidambaram engaged in evicting tenants? "

* Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" Sir, the hon. Member **was engaged in conciliation work.**

" அவர் கூடியவரை சமரசம் ஏற்படுத்துவதற்கு முயற்சி செய்துதான் பார்த்தார். அங்கே சர்க்கார் அதிகாரிகளும் ஒத்துழைப்பது இல்லை. சர்க்கார் அதிகாரிகளின் நடத்தையானது இந்த பெருநிலச்சுவான்தார்கள் விவசாயிகளை நிலத்திலிருந்து வெளியேற்றுவதற்குச் சாதகமாக இருக்கிறது. ஒரு சமரசம் ஏற்படுத்துவதற்கு சர்க்கார் அதிகாரிகள், நிலச்சுவான்தார்கள், விவசாயிகளுடைய பிரதிநிதிகள் ஆகிய மூன்று பேர்களும் கூடி பேச்சுவார்த்தை நடத்தலாமென்று நண்பர்